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Examiner: Mr. Louis B. Tran

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**) REQUEST FOR APPROVAL  
) OF NEW DRAWING FIGURES**

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Sir:

Attached hereto are newly proposed Figures 25a and 25b, illustrating the paper layer and sealing tape of the claimed invention. The specification has been amended to describe these Figures, with the expectation that the Examiner will approve the same.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to approve the new Figures in the next communication issued in connection with the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

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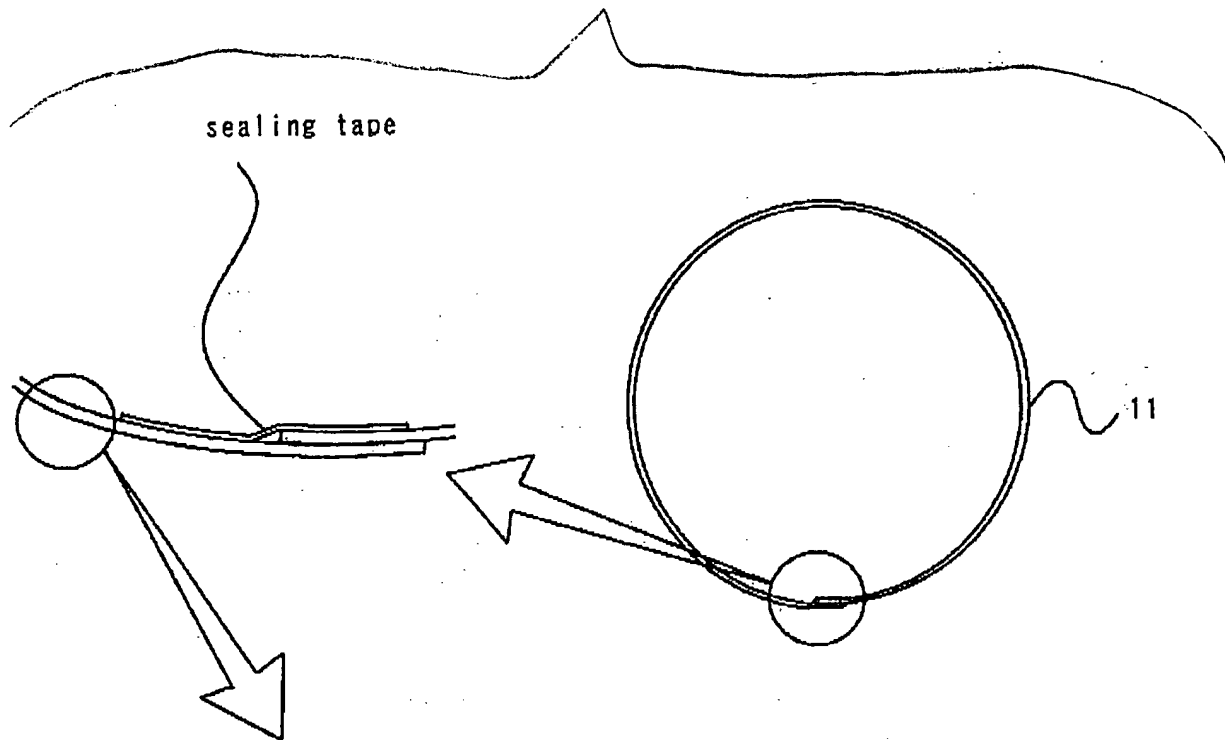
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Figure 25a



Polyethylene Layer
Al foil / synthetic resin layer
Paper Layer
Polyethylene Layer

Figure 25b